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SUBJECT: STATUS OF PLO OFFICES IN NEW YORK

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1. TERZI AND RAHMAN MET WITH MISOFF IN INDONESIAN LOUNGE ON SEPTEMBER 8 AT 12:00 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF DUAL HATTING PROBLEM. AT OUTSET, TERZI SAID HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO PLACE A TELEPHONE CALL TO BEIRUT BUT INSTEAD HAD SENT A TELEX OUTLINING THE ISSUE. HE HAD RECEIVED NO REPLY.

2. RAHMAN THEN STATED THAT QUESTION OF HIS DUAL STATUS HAD FIRST BEEN RAISED EARLY IN 1975 WITH LORENZ, THEN ASSIGNED TO USUN. ACCORDING TO RAHMAN, LORENZ HAD ASKED THE DEPARTMENT FOR ITS POSITION ON MAINTENANCE OF HIS DUAL STATUS AND HAD BEEN GIVEN POSITIVE REPLY. RAHMAN SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT DUAL STATUS WAS ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT. TERZI CONTINUED BY STATING THAT HE DID NOT AGREE WITH OUR POSITION THAT THERE WAS INCONSISTENCY IN WORKING FOR BOTH THE OBSERVER OFFICE AND THE INFORMATION OFFICE. MISOFF AGAIN REVIEWED OUR POSITION, AND RESTATED DEMAND THAT THEY SHOULD DECIDE WHICH OF THESE TWO POSITIONS RAHMAN WILL MAINTAIN AND INFORM US OF THEIR DECISION.

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3. RAHMAN THEN ASKED WHAT WAS THE POSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND WHETHER THERE WAS SPECIFIC LAW OF THE UNITED STATES WHICH MADE HIS DUAL STATUS ILLEGAL. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD NOT DIVEST HIMSELF OF EITHER OF THESE POSITIONS UNLESS THIS WAS THE CASE. MISOFF INDICATED THAT DISCUSSION CLEARLY HAD REACHED AN IMPASSE

SINCE THEY REFUSED TO COMPLY WITH OUR REQUEST AND THAT
HE WOULD INFORM THE DEPARTMENT OF THIS CONVERSATION.
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